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TO EXPAND PROTECTIVE FOREST BELTS -- Burgas, Chernomorski Front, 7 Oct 50

In accordance with the decree of the Council of Ministers of 14 January 1950 the Ministry of Agriculture organized a scientific expedition, which, based on the experience of Soviet agronomic technicians, compiled data on a project for agricultural and forestation improvements throughout the country. The expedition assumed the name of Academician T. D. Lysenko and included university professors, scientists, soil and forestry experts, surveyors, meteorologists, economists, etc.

The findings showed that Burgas Okrug required a number of forestry and agricultural improvements. Karnobat, Aytos, and part of Burgas Okoliya need protective forest belts to preserve soil moisture and improve climatic conditions. The local population furnished the expedition with extensive information on these subjects. The land of Burgas Okrug is very poor in forests; in some areas, especially around the Strandzha Mountains, the forests are in a very bad condition, which has a most unfavorable effect on agriculture. In the areas protected by forest belts, the yields average 100-120 kilograms per decare.

One of the measures to correct the unsatisfactory forestry conditions must be to reduce forest pastures and include these areas in protective forest belts. Acorns should be collected and used for forest planting. The party organizations, farm workers' cooperatives, and, especially, the youth organizations must actively contribute to the prompt establishment of protective forest belts, which will also be a most effective measure against the ill effects of drought.

MILK DELIVERIES STILL SERIOUSLY LAGGING -- Sofia, Izgrev, 14 Nov 50

As of 23 September 1950, the yearly milk delivery plan in Turgovishte Okoliya had been fulfilled by only 25 percent. The inadequate and careless organization and handling of the deliveries by the okoliya people's soviet and the Rayon Cooperative Association is largely responsible for the failure. Furthermore, many farmers continue to deliver low quotas of milk and butter. It is doubtful whether the plan can still be fulfilled in the remaining 3 months of the year.

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